

Amendments to the Specification:

Please amend the title as follows:

"NOVEL ~~GENE PARTICIPATING~~ GENES INVOLVED IN EPIDERMAL
~~DIFFERENTIATION~~ DIFFERENTIATION, AND ~~USE~~ USES THEREOF"

Please replace the specification with the accompanying substitute specification. A marked up copy is provided showing the changes.

Please cancel the present "SEQUENCE LISTING" at the end of the application (translation), and insert therefor the accompanying paper copy of the Sequence Listing.